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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

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TOWN OF STRATHAM,

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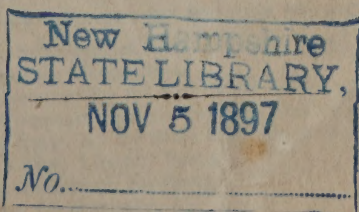
YEAR ENDING, MARCH 1, 1865.

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REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.



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ACCOUNT OF COLLECTOR JOHN W. WIGGIN.

Amount of Tax committed to him for collection,

COLLECTOR WIGGIN'S DISCHARGE.

Paid State Tax	\$1860 00
County Tax	700 15
Selectmen in cash,	2465 60
Non-resident highway tax worked out	11 67
Abatement of taxes	76 20
Three per cent. discount	122 36
Collector's Services	52 99
	—————\$5298 97

STRATHAM, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1865.

This day examined the foregoing accounts of John W. Wiggin, and find them fairly brought, rightly cast, well vouched and balanced.

CHARLES N. HEALEY, }  
JOHN H. BARKER, } *Auditors.*

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MONEY RECEIVED BY THE SELECTMEN.

Received of the Selectmen of 1863, of money found in their hands by the auditors,	\$1125 67
of the county for the support of county paupers,	897 35
of Government Bounty from the State Treasurer,	670 00
of the State, bill for State aid, furnished to families,	1134 59
of the State Literary Fund,	44 24
of the Selectmen Northwood,	5 25
for the use of money,	5 00
of collector Wiggin in cash,	2475 60
money hired since March 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1864,	23,322 88
of the State Railroad tax,	263 27
	—————\$29,943 85

## SELECTMEN'S DISCHARGE.

## Outstanding Demands.

Paid A. A. Chapman on note given in favor of G. Chapman,	59 80
J. Burleigh, note in full,	388 06
F. H. Burleigh note in full,	212 00
F. H. Burleigh note in full,	155 07
Levi Hoag for board of Dolly Wiggin,	3 00
Charlotte Wiggin surplus interest for the years 1863-4,	80
J. F. Tuttle, abatement of dog tax,	1 00
A. Wiggin, use of Post Office,	2 00
J. L. Jewell, Express and Stamps,	1 23
J. L. Jewell, for supplies J Rundlett, Jr.,	4 24
J. Harnett, abatement of dog tax,	2 00
T. J. Whittem, Printing town accounts,	14 00
J. L. Jewell, selectman, expenses,	5 00
G. B. Fifield, breaking roads and gravel,	5 37
Ellen C. Foss, on note,	4 50
Henry H. Staples, for selectman expenses,	3 00
Leonard Lang, selectman, expenses,	2 00
J. G. Cate, receipt in full for services as superintendent,	100 00
For supplies furnished the farm after settling farm account of 1864,	12 17
J. G. Cate, note in full,	54 27
“ “ “ in favor Mrs. M. Cate,	102 00
J. H. Foster stationery and blank books,	4 53
A. D. Wiggin, on note,	9 00
W. Wentworth, on note,	600 00
W. H. Y. Hackett for advice at different times and assistance,	9 00
G. G. Lougee, manure for the town farm,	30 00
N. A. Shute, Internal Revenue stamps,	3 00
Kelly & Gardner for mower and rake,	112 00
Stickney for advice,	2 00
J. F. Wiggin for drafting assignment,	1 00
Goodall for advice,	2 00
Piscataqua Bank, notes in full,	1,506 25
N. B. Jenness, on note,	130 00
J. S. Harvey, Int. Rev. stamps,	9 74
C. Holt for use at the farm,	151 00
A. Wiggin, services as Attorney in road case,	20 00
J. O. Jones, bounty,	200 00
H. Peyson, Commission for furnishing Recruits,	85 00
G. E. Lane, services as justice,	2 00
“ “ abatement of tax,	4 60
J. L. Jewell, blanks and stamps,	2 10
Samuel Jones, note in full,	2,612 50



Paid	B. F. Rollins, on note,	18 00
	P. French, "	200 00
	L. Jewell, "	39 00
	S. Jones, abatement of tax,	28 75
	B. H. Jewett, note in full,	1 94
	J. French, sawing for farm,	15 17
	J. J. Wiggin, abatement of tax,	6 00
	B. D. Watson, painting and lettering guide boards,	5 00
	M. A. Jones, on notes,	35 00
	J. Eaton, examining records, South Hampton,	1 00
	Charles Robinson and Son, note in full,	4,206 50
	J. L. Huntress, note in full,	105 64
	Mark Roberts on notes,	36 00
	M. F. Young, Clothing for R. A. Pottle,	15 00
	Ellen C. Foss on note,	7 50
	G. H. Odell, attendance on M. Philpot, prior to May first 1863,	10 50
	S. Sinclair note in full, in favor of E. Chase, Jr.,	56 30
	A. Chase for damage done cart wheel, on the highway,	6 42
	F. Rundlett on note,	50 00
	J. L. Jewell paid for hiring money,	1 50
	S. J. Harvey commission for hiring money, 1 for stamp,	15 60
	J. Dodge commission and interest on note,	120 00
	E. M.C. Lane's note in full,	100 75
	J. Perkins' Exeter, tax,	25 18
	H. Wiggin, lumber for School District, No. 3.	4 86
	D. W. C. Jewell, note in full,	101 13
	S. Cate on notes,	39 60
	L. M. Jenness, note in full,	513 66
	D. W. Gorham, on note,	90 00
	Albert R. Hatch written opinion on several sub- jects, and services in the Huntress case,	30 00
	James M. Lovering for stamps,	2 00
	S. Sinclair on note,	15 00
	F. A. Otis on note,	18 00
	J. French, abatement of tax,	6 32
	G. Barker on note,	6 00
	Heirs of J. Scammon, abatement of Dog tax 1863,	1 00
	J. J. Lane, abatement of tax on money interest,	4 60
	J. L. Jewell, services as treasurer to March 14, 1865,	12 00
	S. W. Chase, balance on note,	3 09
	Mark Stockbridge on note,	16 00
	N. E. Norton, water trough,	3 00
	N. E. Norton, abatement of poll tax on D. S. Norton,	2 36
	Giles and Langley abatement of tax on trees on C. Lot,	9 46
	G. H. Odell, services as Physician, for town and Co. poor,	75 40
	G. E. Lane, services as Town Clerk, and Extra ser- vices drawing Jurors, &c.	17 08

Paid C. Ahean, abatement of tax,	1 15
John O. Wiggin, bridge timber,	1 50
“ “ “ taking sundry affidavits,	8 00
R. Scammon, abatement of tax money at interest,	6 32
J. H. Barker services as Auditor,	1 50
C. N. Healey “ “ “	1 50
E. B. Chapman, note in full in favor of E. A. Willey,	103 11
F. Grant, blank book,	50
Moulton, services as Surveyor running line,	1 00
John H. Barker laborer on buildings in School Dist. No 3.	3 50
H. H. Staples, Revenue Stamps,	1 00
Goodwin for Stationery,	58
M. Wentworth, on note,	15 00

#### HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES,

Paid Surveyor B. D. Leighton, breaking Roads in Dist. No. 1,	\$34 01
“ B. S. Jenness, “ “ “ “ 8,	15 00
“ O. B. French, “ “ “ “ 14,	15 82
“ S. Scammon, “ “ “ “ 12,	3 37
“ C. N. Healey, “ “ “ “ 6,	8 38
“ J. J. Scammon, “ “ “ “ 6,	8 56
“ W. H. Jewell, “ “ “ “ 11,	9 50
“ M. F. Young, “ “ “ “ 13,	2 50
“ L. Lang, “ “ “ “ 7,	2 00
“ L. W. Yeaton, “ “ “ “ 3,	1 87
“ S. J. Sinclair, “ “ “ “ 10,	4 19
“ C. W. Jones, “ “ “ “ 4,	3 81
Levi Jewell, bridge plank,	6 79
John French, rebuilding bridge, near Post office,	21 67
C. N. Healey, breaking roads in District No. 6,	1 50

#### SCHOOLS.

Paid Joseph S. Staples, for benefit of School District, No. 1,	\$187 20
Greenleaf C. Brown for benefit of School Dist., No. 2,	187 20
Thomas Piper, for benefit of School District No. 3,	187 20
James P. Chase, for benefit of School District No. 4,	187 20

#### PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES SERVICES.

Paid Joseph S. Staples, services as Prudential Committee, 1864,	3 00
James S. Leavitt, services as “ “ 1863,	3 00
Greenleaf C. Brown, services as “ “ 1864,	3 00
James P. Chase, services as “ “ 1864,	3 00



### REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

Paid Joseph S. Staples repairs on school house, No. 1,	\$6 45
Greenleaf C. Brown, repairs on school house, No. 2,	14 94
James S. Leavitt, repairs on school house, No. 3,	3 25
James P. Chase, repairs on school house, No. 4,	3 90

### COUNTY POOR

Paid for the support of County Poor, not at the Farm,	293 00
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### STATE AID

Paid in State aid to Families.	1,081 13
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### VOLUNTEERS.

Paid in Bounties for Volunteers, - - - - -	8,845 00
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### SUBSTITUTES FOR ENROLLED MEN.

Paid Bounty to an Enrolled Man for Substitute, -	600 00
Bounties for Enrolled Men, for Substitutes,	1,800 00

### DRAFTED MEN.

Paid Bounties to Men Drafted, May 17, - - -	2,100 00
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### TOWN OF STRATHAM TO JOHN L. JEWELL. Dr.

March 3.	To one day in session,	\$1 25
	To Exeter with town accounts,	1 25
5.	To Addison Wiggin's with Mr. Holt, writing obligations, assist in correcting check list,	1 25
	To Exeter for Town Accounts, moving Dolly Wiggin from L. Hoag's to W. Wiggin's,	2 00
21.	To Collector's, town farm, and Burleigh's to pay notes,	1 25
	To Portsmouth for supplies for J. Rundlett,	2 25
30.	To Concord and Portsmouth relative to volunteers, time,	2 25
	Expenses,	4 50
April 1.	Preparing for taking inventory at Farm, to settle with Superintendent,	1 50

		To Staples and Addison Wiggin, one day examining Cram wood lot,	1 85
		Two days making assessment, attending Jury meeting,	3 50
30.		To making taxes,	7 00
		To Staples' and Jones',	50
		To preparing Surveyor's books, distributing do. and appointing Surveyors,	3 75
May 11.		To making return of inventory, railroad shares, answer request of Secretary of State,	2 25
13.		To Staples' and E Jewell's to help correct roll,	
14.		To E. Jewells' and Portsmouth relative to drafting,	3 00
16.		To notifying informal meeting to Portsmouth to see about Volunteers, &c.,	3 35
20.		To Portsmouth about draft and Volunteers, to writing and posting Warrants,	2 75
		To Portsmouth about Substitutes, making out State aid bill,	2 50
31.		To preparing Collector's Warrants, list of Taxes, returns to State and County Treasurer, to E. Jewell's, Staples's, and Z. French's,	4 00
June 18.		To assistance in getting Pauper from North Hampton to Farm,	1 00
8.		To Exeter, E. Jewell's, Staples' and Exeter after note and money,	2 00
		To L. Lang's Portsmouth, about Substitutes and deposite money,	2 00
22.		To Portsmouth about Volunteers, to Staples' and N. Adams's,	2 50
24.		To Exeter, E. Jewell's, Staples' and Exeter, for note and money,	2 50
25.		To Portsmouth to put in Volunteers, to Exeter about money,	3 50
July 12.		To Cheney's to see about a man in the Navy, to Portsmouth to put in Volunteers,	3 50
14.		To Portsmouth to put in Volunteers, to Exeter, E. Jewell's, Staples' and Exeter,	5 00
August 2.		To two sessions at Staples', to recording Taxes, getting evidence for Navy credits,	4 00
12.		Met the Selectmen in consultation at the Post Office,	50
13.		To Portsmouth, about Navy men, to consult with Hatch about Huntress' bounty,	1 00
16.		To Portsmouth to see what evidence is needed to get Navy credits,	1 50
17.		To Staples' and Elwyn's for consultation, and to Scammons' for money.	1 50

Aug.	18.	To Concord to learn what evidence was required to get navy credits, round in this town, to Portsmouth and to Boston to get evidence for Navy credits, and of men from our town enlisted in other States,	14	20
	24.	To Portsmouth to get advice about calling a Town meeting,	1	50
	25, 27.	To help write and post Warrants, to Portsmouth about Navy men and men enlisted for our town in June and July, 1864,	2	00
	30.	To Concord to get credit for men that entered the Naval service prior to April 1st,	3	50
	31.	To Portsmouth to carry affidavit and get letter from Washington,	1	50
Sept.	1.	To Portsmouth to get Volunteers,		
	2.	To Portsmouth " " "	6	00
	3.	To Portsmouth to get Volunteers, time, Expenses,	1	50
	5.	To Portsmouth to get papers signed of Rundlett and Dearborn's enlistment,	1	87
	12.	To Portsmouth, Staples and Elwyn's, to perambulating Exeter and Stratham line,	4	50
	26.	To Portsmouth to pay C. Robinson & Son in part, To guide post and setting,	2	00
	30.	To recording receipts,	1	00
Oct.	1.	To Portsmouth to pay Robinson & Son,	2	00
	8.	To Chase and Jones'. 12th. Preparing County bill,	3	25
		To E. Jewell's, and to see about getting a person on the County,	1	00
	13.	Went to renew notes. 21st, to writing and posting Warrants and Check List,	3	50
	22.	To Portsmouth to settle with County, to assist in running line, N. Hampton and Stratham,	4	10
Nov.	5.	To Post Office to correct Check list, to E. Jewell's and Staples', and Ridge Schoolhouse to lay out yard, J. French's, and Wingate for lumber and labor,	2	36
	29.	To going for money, and to E. Jewell's, Staples', and Portsmouth,	4	00
Dec.	1.	Went after money and carried to Staples, to Portsmouth, and round town to correct enrollment,	2	50
	7.	To Mr. Staples', A. Rollins, &c., to prepare papers to go to Concord,	1	00
		To Concord, time and expenses,	5	50
		To getting evidence to fill exemption papers, to Portsmouth to present said papers,	1	00



	17.	To Newmarket for money, and at Mr. Staples' to revise Jury box,	1 50
		To Mr. Jones', J. F. Wiggin's and Portsmouth, to prepare and carry assignment to express office,	2 25
	27.	To Exeter and E. Jewell's to see about money,	2 25
	28.	To Exeter for money,	2 25
	29.	To Portsmouth to see about getting a recruit and to pay for B. Wiggin Sub.,	3 10
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Jan.	2.	Went to E. Jewell's and Staples', and Leighton's, Exp., getting assignments to Concord and back.	1 00 50
	9.	To E. Jewell's. Staples', Portsmouth, and back to Healey's to hire and pay money,	3 25
	13.	To Concord to settle for bounties. 18th, Do. do.,	11 00
	19.	To Exeter to pay tax, preparing for, and going to Exeter to settle with County,	1 50
Feb.	2.	To Staples' and Adams', and round to pay bills, To expense incurred, obtaining evidence to lay before Governor and Council in order to secure bounties for eight men,	75 1 50
	20.	To Staples', E. Jewell's and French's, to get notes and money,	75
	21.	To one evening in session at Mr. Staples'—24th, to afternoon and evening session,	1 50
	25.	To preparing accounts and going to Exeter and getting dates of notes,	1 50
27.		To preparing accounts and going to Staples' and getting date of notes,	1 00
	28.	To Portsmouth and session at Town Farm.	1 50
March	1.	To one day preparing accounts and in session. To going at sundry times to pay State aid to families,	1 00 3 00
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			\$190 03

Received payment,

JOHN L. JEWELL.

## TOWN OF STRATHAM, TO ELWYN JEWELL, Dr:

March	5.	At Post Office,	50
April	2.	At town farm,	75
	5, 6, 8, 9.	To taking inventory,	5 00
	14.	To taking inventory,	1 00
	15, 16.	To making assessment,	2 00
	18.	To tending Jury meeting,	50
May	8.	To enrolling militia,	1 00
	14.	At Exeter,	50
	16.	To notifying voters	50
June	25.	At the Post Office,	50
July	18.	At Post Office and Exeter,	70
	19.	At Post Office,	50
	27.	At Exeter and Post Office,	75
Aug.	10.	Mr. Staples' one evening,	50
	13.	At Exeter and J. L. Jewell's,	1 00
	24.	At Exeter and Samuel Jones',	1 00
	25.	At Post Office,	50
	26.	At Newmarket,	1 00
Sept.	1.	At Exeter and J. L. Jewell's,	75
	15.	At Concord,	5 00
	17.	At Newmarket,	1 00
	19.	To setting post put up guide boards,	1 00
Oct.	24.	Preambulated at Exeter and Stratham,	1 50
Sept.	28.	Preambulated at North Hampton and Stratham,	1 50
Nov.	21.	At the School House,	1 00
Dec.	9.	At Concord,	5 00
	19.	Revising Jury Box,	50
	20.	Attending meeting,	50
	26.	At Town Farm,	1 00
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Jan.	3.	At Town farm,	50
Feb.	17.	At Newmarket, on account of pauper,	1 00
	20.	At town farm,	50
	21.	At Mr. Staples' one evening,	50
	23.	At J. L. Jewell's half day and evening,	1 00
	28.	At town farm half day and evening,	1 00
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			\$41 45

Received Payment,

ELWYN JEWELL.

Stratham, Feb. 28, 1865.

## TOWN OF STRATHAM TO HENRY H. STAPLES, Dr.

1864

March	21.	To John L. Jewell's on business for town,	75
	28.	Met the selectmen at Post Office,	35
April	1.	1 day at J. L. Jewell's and town farm,	1 50
	5, 6, 8, 9.	4 days taking inventory, Stationery, &c.,	6 00
	14.	1 day on the Cram Lot appraising, wood and timber,	42
	16.	2 days making assessments,	1 50
	20.	Going to Philpot's on business,	3 00
	22.	In session with Selectmen at my house,	35
	25.	Met the Selectmen at Post Office,	25
	20.	Went to Mrs. Jewell's to leave Guardian's notice,	35
May	5.	Preparing and distributing surveyors' Books, In session with J. L. Jewell and to Abednego Robinson's on account of Enrollment,	50
	16.	Notifying citizens meeting,	50
	17.	To Portsmouth on account of Draft,	75
	18.	Met the selectmen at E. Jewell's,	1 50
	19.	Consulting Citizens of the town relative to rais- ing money for volunteers and met selectmen at Post Office,	50
	23.	Met the selectmen at Post Office,	1 00
	30.	To Z. B. French's on town business,	35
June	3.	Business relative to state aid for Mrs. Plaisted of Newmarket, To Samuel Jones on business,	25
	4.	Z. B. French's on town business,	35
	24.	In session with selectmen,	35
	25.	Paid transient Poor,	50
	25.	Met selectmen at D. G. H. Odell's on bridge case,	50
	28.	Went to Concord relative to volunteers, Railroad fare and other expenses,	1 50
	29.	Met the Selectmen at Post Office, To J. L. Jewell's,	4 00
July	12.	10 days to Portsmouth to obtain volunteers at 1 75 per day, 17 50 Horse 10 days to Portsmouth for same, 9 00 Subsistence for self and horse, 8 75	35 25
	14.	Went to Exeter to borrow money, Revenue stamp for assignment of state bounty	1 25
Aug.	3.	To Greenland, borrow money,	1 00
	4.	To J. L. Jewell's, E. Jewell's and Greenland,	1 25



	5.	To E. Jewell's and Newmarket,	1 50
	8.	Met the selectmen at my house,	25
	10.	" " "	25
	11.	To John L. Jewell's and other places to borrow money for town,	75
		To Z. B. French on business for town,	35
Aug.	15.	To 3-4 day to borrow money for town,	1 00
	16.	To John French's and other places, borrow money	50
	17.	To J. L. Jewell's,	75
		Met the Selectmen at my house,	25
	25.	Helping write warrants and posting them, and other business in town,	2 50
	26.	6 days to Portsmouth for Substitutes, 10 50	
		Horse and other expenses, 8 50	
			19 00
	27, 29.	2 days through town to get the military roll reduced, 1 50 per day,	3 00
		Horse and other expenses for the same,	2 50
	30.	1 day to Portsmouth to get enrolled citizens stricken from military roll,	1 50
		Horse and other expenses,	2 00
	31.	Half day preparing exemption certificates to exempt persons who were not liable to be enrolled, and in session with selectmen,	75
Sept.	1, 3.	Portsmouth 2 days on account of substitutes, Horse and other expenses for the same,	3 00
	5.	Went to Philpot's and Mr. Huntress',	35
	7.	In session with J. L. Jewell at my house,	25
	13.	1 day perambulating the line between Stratham and Exeter other expenses,	1 80
	13.	Went to Elwyn Jewell's,	50
	16.	To J. L. Jewell's,	75
	27.	In session with selectmen at my house,	25
Oct.	3.	" " "	25
	11.	George E. Lane's to attend Jury meeting & other business,	50
	23.	In session with selectmen and writing warrants for town meeting,	50
	24.	1 day perambulating line between Stratham and North Hampton and other expenses,	2 25
Nov.	3.	Through town revising military roll,	1 75
	22, 24.	Met the selectmen at school district No. 1, to enlarge the school house yard,	1 75
	29.	3 days to Portsmouth for substitutes, Horse and other expenses for the same,	5 25
			4 80
Dec.	2.	3 days to Portsmouth for substitutes, Car fare and other expenses,	5 25
		Went to J. L. Jewell's in the evening,	3 90
			75

	9.	5 days to Portsmouth for substitutes,	\$ 75
		Car fare and other expenses,	6 50
	16.	4 days to Portsmouth for substitutes,	7 00
		Travelling and other expenses,	5 70
	19.	Portsmouth for substitutes and to hire money,	1 50
		Horse and other expenses,	1 90
	20.	Greenland and other places to hire money for town,	1 25
		In session revising Jurors box and other business,	42
		Revenue stamps,	40
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Jan.	4.	George Dearborn and B. D. Leighton relative to Patrick Welch's State aid,	50
	7.	Portsmouth relative to the quota of the town and to hire money and other expenses,	2 80
	17.	Breaking roads on District No. Surveyor's office being vacated,	30
Feb.	6.	Breaking roads on District No.	75
	7.	In session with selectmen,	30
		Z. B. French's on business,	35
	21.	Session with selectmen at my house,	36
	23.	Helping write Warrants and Check Lists,	1 50
	24.	In session at J. L. Jewell's half day and evening,	1 25
	27.	To Samuel Jones' and A. D. Wiggin's and other places to get date of notes,	35
	28.	J. L. Jewell's and town farm,	1 50
March	1.	J. L. Jewell's Auditing accounts,	1 00
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			\$185 24

Received Payment,

HENRY H. STAPLES.

Stratham, March 1st, 1865.

**RECAPITULATION.**

Outstanding demands,	\$12,789 97
Highways and Bridges,	138 97
Schools,	748 80
Prudential Committee's services,	12 00
Repairs on School Houses,	28 54
County Poor, not on the Farm,	293 00
State aid to families,	1,081 13
Bounties to Volunteers,	8,845 00
For Enrolled Men's Substitutes,	2,400 00
Drafted Men's Substitutes,	2,100 00
Selectmen's bills,	416 17
Cash in the Selectmen's hands,	1,090 27
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	\$29,943 85

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STRATHAM, MARCH 1st. 1865,

This day examined the foregoing accounts, and find them fairly brought, rightly cast and vouched, and a balance of ten hundred and ninety dollars and 27 cents in their hands.

CHARLES N. HEALEY, }  
JOHN H. BARKER, } AUDITORS.

**REMARKS.**

There are notes held against the town the amount of which March 1st, 1865, \$31,896 91

**MEANS OF PAYMENT.**

Cash in the Selectmen's hands	\$1,090 27
Due from the County,	146 68
Due from the State on notes,	3,100 00
Due on claims not yet allowed.	2,400 00
Due from the State for aid paid families,	849 00
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	7,585 95
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Amount of town Debt is,	\$24,310 96



**Town Farm.**

Receipts from the Farm,	\$481 61	
Farming Tools,	120 00	
From the county for board of county poor,	604 35	
	<hr/>	\$1,205 96
Expenditures	\$892 39	

**SUPERINTENDENT.**

Services	\$200 00	
Labor	52 00	
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Balance in favor of farm		<hr/> \$61 57

**R E P O R T**  
**OF THE**  
**SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1865.**

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**DISTRICT No. 1.**

**JOSEPH S. STAPLES, Prudential Committee.**

Summer term taught by Miss SOPHILA J. FOYE. The improvement of this school as a whole was satisfactory and prosperous, under the efficient management of Miss F. The instruction was faithful and thorough in the branches taught. The relations between teacher and scholar, appeared to be harmonious.

Winter School taught by Mr. JAMES T. JACKSON. This school is inferior to none in town, in that which makes a good school. The instruction and discipline are both good. Mr. J. understands how to awaken an interest in the minds of his pupils which cannot fail of the best results.

**DISTRICT No. 2.**

**G. C. BROWN, Prudential Committee.**

Summer term, taught by Miss ABBIE R. KNIGHT. Under the guidance of an able and devoted teacher this school made good advancement. There seemed to be maintained pleasant relations, between teacher and scholar. The general tone of instruction and management was elevating and improving. The experience and peculiar aptitude of Miss K., as an instructress insure her marked success.

Winter School, taught by Mr. CHARLES E. WIGGIN. On the part of some of the scholars, commendable progress was made. The teacher appeared to labor zealously, for the good of those under his charge. There seems to be the material for a good school in this District. Yet there is not that thirst for useful knowledge, which is essential, and as a whole, it has not come up to that high standard, which your Committee thinks is possible for it to attain.

### DISTRICT No. 3.

#### THOMAS PIPER, Prudential Committee.

The Summer term, taught by Miss CARRIE L. PIPER. Success has been the result of the continued, and faithful labor of the teacher, and the studious attentions on the part of the scholars this term.

Miss P., has well earned the confidence of the District, and is justly worthy of much praise for her exertions.

The Winter School, taught by Mr. FREDERICK B. FRENCH. — Some of the best scholars in town, are in this school. The girls are much more advanced than the boys, owing perhaps to a bad habit of some of the boys, leaving, before the close of the term, thus losing much they might have gained, by close application, to their books.

Notwithstanding, some difficulties with which Mr. F., had to contend, he kept on the even tenor of his ways, and those that were there at the examination, did credit to themselves, and honor to their teacher.

### DISTRICT No. 4.

#### JAMES P. CHASE, Prudential Committee.

Summer term taught by Miss ELIZA J. BROWN. This school is the smallest in town. The fewness of the number renders the task of the teacher rather more difficult, than it would be with a greater number of pupils. Yet the scholars compare favorable with those of corresponding age in other schools, and the patient efforts of Miss B. are highly creditable.

Winter School taught by Mr. A. J. SANBORN. At the closing examination of this school very few of the small number usually pres-



ent were in attendance, so that no satisfactory information of the progress of the school could be obtained. Another day was fixed for the examination, but an unfortunate circumstance in regard to the stove, caused a premature close.

### REMARKS.

We cannot overestimate the importance of our Common Schools, or labor too earnestly to insure their usefulness, and in view of the fact, that so many of the pupils finish their school education here, it becomes our especial duty to see that while they do attend, not a moment of their precious time is wasted.

The condition of our Schools the past year, has been for the most part encouraging. We are always pleased with any signs of improvement in the young, and especially in an educational direction. On the proper training of the youth, we are as a people dependent.

Our corps of Teachers the year past, have been much above the average, and in no instance has there been one employed which was not abundantly able to give all needful instruction. Some have possessed those qualifications which would secure them situations in many of our High Schools or Academies.

Our Teachers taken collectively, have been successful. The most successful teachers are those who most readily understand the peculiarities of their scholars, and apply their instructions by methods to suit the greatest variety of characters. This power of adaptation when united with a patient yet firm and kindly spirit, greatly enhance the legitimate objects of education.

Some new text books have been introduced which seemed to be very much needed, four series of Progressive Readers and Speller—Wells' and Quackenbos' Grammar.

Respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM G. BROWN,

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

## TABLE OF STATISTICS.

Districts,	1	2	3	4	Total.
Weeks kept in Summer, . . . . .	12	12	13	16	53
“ “ “ Winter, . . . . .	11	11½	12	12	46½
Number of Scholars in Summer, . . .	43	29	28	15	115
“ “ “ “ Winter, . . . . .	36	38	29	20	123
Average attendance in Summer, . . .	31	22	21	10	84
“ “ “ “ Winter, . . . . .	30	33	23	13	99
Wages of Female Teachers per month, including board, . . . . .	\$22	\$22	\$18	\$16.50	\$78.50
Wages of Male Teachers per month, including board, . . . . .	\$37	\$37	\$37	\$37	148.00
Amount of Local Funds, . . . . .					
“ “ Income from Literary Fund,					44.24
“ “ School money raised by the Town, . . . . .					750.00
Whole amount of School money, . . .					794.24
Visits by Superint'g School Committee,	4	5	4	3	16
“ “ Prudental Committee, . . . .	1	3	3	2	9
“ “ Citizens and others, . . . . .	40	30	39	14	123

## List of Text Books.

Progressive Reader, (four series,) Colburns Arithmetic, Greenleaf's Introductory and National Arithmetic, Greenleaf's Algebra, Weld's & Quackenbos Grammar, Goodrich's History, Cornell's series Geography, Gray's Botany, Book Keeping, Ancient and Modern History.

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